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In re Application of

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RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION
OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371
IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

Dear Sir:

Applicants received the attached Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371 (Form PCT/DO/EO/905) mailed February 27, 2001 indicating that the submission of an executed declaration is now required.

Applicants advise that the executed declaration was previously submitted to the DO/EO/US on February 8, 2001. A copy of the submission paper, executed declaration and post card containing the date stamp of the U.S. Patent Office Mail Room acknowledging receipt on February 8, 2001 are attached.

Accordingly, the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 371 were met on February 8, 2001 by applicants.

The fee for late submission of the executed declaration was earlier submitted as noted in the attached submission paper and thus no fee is currently

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due. However, if it is determined that a fee is due, the Commissioner is authorized to charge, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-3690.

Respectfully submitted,

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Attachments - Notification of Missing Requirements
- 02/8/01 Transmittal Letter to DO/EO/US
Concerning a Filing under 35 U.S.C. 371
- Executed Declaration
- PTO Mail Room Date Stamped 02/8/01
Post Card